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SUBJECT: GOM ESTABLISHES REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL OFFICES IN SAHARA

1. WEEKLY "LA VIE INDUSTRIELLE ET AGRICOLE" OF MARCH 6-7
ANNOUNCED THAT MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRARIAN REFORM
HAS ESTABLISHED TWO MORE REGIONAL OFFICES IN THE SAHARA.
TECHNICAL PERSONNEL OF MINISTRY WILL BE LOCATED IN EL AYOUN
AND SMARA. THESE OFFICES, WITH ONE ALREADY IN OPERATION IN
DAOURA, WILL DIRECT DISTRIBUTION OF MACHINERY, SEED AND
FERTILIZER, AS WELL AS AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK STUDIES.
"ALL NECESSARY SUPPORT" HAS BEEN PROMISED OFFICES.

2. COMMENT: INCREASED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN THE SAHARA WILL BE COSTLY AND DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE, BUT IS LIKELY TO PROVIDE MORE IMMEDIATE POLITICAL MILEAGE THAN PHOSPHATE OUTPUT FROM BUCRAA WHICH IS DISTANT FROM POPULATION CENTERS AND PRESENTLY EMPLOYS MOSTLY SPANISH NATIONALS. FOR TIME BEING, AGRICULTURE WILL BE KEY AREA JUSTIFYING CLAIMS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF SAHRAOUI LIVING STANDARDS. OTHER NEBULOUS PLANS FOR TOURISM, LIGHT INDUSTRY, AND ADDITIONAL MINING UNDERSTOOD TO BE UNDER CONSIDERATION IN OTHER MINISTRIES.

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